The ART Experience!

**What to Expect:**



Course information and learning targets

will be available to students through their

google calendar and online at: http://www.vmsecondaryartdepartment.wikispaces.com/

All high school art courses (Intro to Art, 2D Art, 3D Art, and Advanced Art) will have similar expectations. Students will be challenged through a variety of learning experiences including: creating art using a variety of materials and techniques, learning about art history and cultures, critiquing and reflecting on art. All students will be expected to create a blog to showcase their art as well as discuss art. Student are encouraged to use blogger.com, however may use another free site of their choice. Advanced Art Students will be required to use Pinterest (pinterest.com) to pin ideas for each self-guided projects. Other art students may choose to use this site to collect art ideas but will not be required to use this format.



**Success in Art:**

This year all art courses will be using “active grade” for standard based grading. Each unit grade in art will be based on the following learning targets: demonstrating the use of technique, creativity, originality, craftsmanship, and self-evaluation / reflection.

**OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

* Students are invited to participate in Art Club, we will start off the year meeting during Seminar and then go from there.
* I am excited to tell you that I will have a student teacher, Miss Solum, from Grand View University that will be with us this Fall.
* I am also pleased to announce that this year Van Meter will be hosting the High School Conference Art Fair Monday May 6th. More information to follow in the announcements regarding times the gym will be open for public viewing.
* If you or your family would like to donate recyclables, the art department is always looking for clean newspapers, cardboard tubes, foam egg cartoons, plastic containers with lids, wire hangers, etc.